

14 August 2023

NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 29 to 04 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NS/AU/1297	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Date of Distribution: 4 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 2 October 2023	Chargers types for smart phones and electronic devices	Draft decision of Saudi Standards Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO) Board of Director to introduce a common charging solution for a broad range of products of radio and information technology equipment to be applied in two stages as minimum requirement as follows : 1. Starting From January 2025, All Mobile phones, tablets, digital cameras, ereaders, handheld video game consoles, headphones, headsets, earbuds, keyboards, mice, portable navigation systems , portable speakers, and Wireless Routers must adhere to the regulatory requirements. 2. Starting From April 2026, the regulatory requirements under the scope of unifying the USB-Type C charging ports shall extend to laptops, ensuring their compatibility with standardized charging infrastructure.
G/TBT/N/US/1865/A dd.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 3 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Interoperable video conferencing service - Addendum	In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) revisits the interpretation of a statutory term, interoperable video conferencing service (IVCS). Finding no persuasive reason to modify or limit the scope of the statutory definition of this term, the

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				Commission declines to revise its definition of IVCS, and concludes that its accessibility rules for advanced communications services and equipment apply to all services and equipment that meet the statutory definition of IVCS.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2025	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 2 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 30 August 2023</p>	Shared use of the 42-42.5 GHz Band	In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) seeks comment on how innovative, non-exclusive spectrum access models might be deployed in the 42 GHz band (42–42.5 GHz) to provide increased access to high-band spectrum, particularly by smaller wireless service providers, and to support efficient, intensive use of the band. The Commission also seeks comment on how potential sharing and licensing regimes might lower barriers to entry for smaller or emerging wireless service providers, encourage competition, and prevent spectrum warehousing.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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